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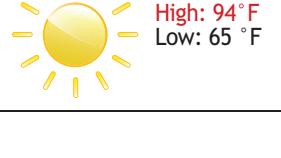
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Doctoral dissertation
announcement

The Graduate School announces the final doctoral dissertation of Suhao Han titled, "Interaction of Centrosomal Component SPD-5 with Wnt Signals in the Control of Cell Polarity in *Caenorhabditis elegans*." The defense will be held Sept. 6 at 1:30 p.m. in 232 Ackert Hall.

Gas prices rise in Kansas,
across U.S.

The average price of gasoline rose last week by 0.3 cents per gallon in the U.S. to an average of \$3.73 per gallon. Gas prices in Kansas rose by slightly more - 0.9 cents per gallon in the last week - but remain below the overall national average at \$3.65 per gallon. Gas prices in Kansas have risen by 18.9 cents per gallon in the last month. GasBuddy.com reports that the upcoming Hurricane Isaac could potentially influence prices if oil production facilities in the Gulf region are damaged by the storm.

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LEFT: A stunted ear of corn was one of many near Belvue, Kan., on Monday. The damage was most likely caused by lack of water around the corn silking stage. RIGHT: Farmers were forced to harvest this one-ear-per-stalk corn crop earlier than usual in a field located a few miles east of Belvue, Kan.

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Drought not expected to raise food prices

Much of the year's harvest 'written off' for insurance claims

Mike Stanton
staff writer

This summer, one of the worst droughts in recent history has withered crops and driven people to stay indoors.

"I've lived [in Kansas] my whole life, and it's never been this hot," said Andrew Archer, freshman in civil engineering.

The harsh weather has led to widespread speculation that the price of groceries is on the verge of a dramatic increase, which would be yet another blow to our nation's already faltering economy.

"I've been comparing this year with 1988, the last major drought that had a

significant impact on food prices," said Glenn "Art" Barnaby Jr., professor of agricultural economics.

According to Barnaby, the state harvest yield in 1988 was approximately 5 percent under the average trend. With 2012 currently coming in at around 33 percent below average, the numbers seem to indicate that our nation is in for a rough time in the checkout lines.

The theory that food prices will climb significantly in the near future, however, may not be completely true.

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Glenn 'Art' Barnaby Jr., professor of agricultural economics

freshman in biology. "That's not going to make or break anybody."

Barnaby, however, contends that the drought may cause a temporary drop in food costs due to a spike in the amount of meat on the market.

"[Grains] are the primary feed supply for livestock, and a lot of ranchers will cull their herds back rather than pay to feed them," Barnaby said.

This would increase the availability of meat on the market, thus lowering the price consumers would pay in stores.

Fortunately for farmers, the financial impact of this year's drought is not expected to be severe. Although the weather was much worse this year than it was during the drought of 1988, technological and genetic improvements made since then are expected to contribute to a much better

harvest.

A majority of this year's crop is insured, which means that farmers will only lose around 5 percent of the projected value of their harvest. Kansas' farmers were able to get an early start on planting this year, which allowed them to avoid most of the bad weather.

Much of this year's harvest, which has already been written off and filed for insurance claims, cannot be saved despite the recent drop in temperature and increase in rainfall. According to Barnaby, rainfall can now have a negative impact for farmers, increasing the yield on abandoned crops and driving insurance payouts down.

"You can never take rain for granted in this part of the country," Barnaby said. "Sometimes it rains, sometimes it just doesn't."

Marching band worth it despite stress, members say

Alex Ondracek
staff writer

The sound of the K-State Marching Band is something that many students and K-State fans have experienced throughout the years. Fans watch and sing along to the band's music at football games, guiding the crowd's emotions and excitement, especially during the "Wabash Cannonball."

Being a member of the marching band is often more difficult than many people may think, said Alex Hughes, bass drummer and junior in music education.

"It all starts with band camp," Hughes said. "[It's] one of the most intense weeks of the school year."

Members of the marching band come back to school one week early to begin to practice for sporting events. For seven days in a row, they wake up and start practicing in McCain Auditorium around 8:10 a.m. After getting their instruments, music and applying a hefty coat of sunscreen, students march from McCain to Memorial Stadium, playing their instruments the entire time.

"It can be really hard for the new incoming freshmen," Hughes said. "There is really no instruction on what to do during band camp. We just start and the freshmen are expected to sink or swim."

After arriving at Memorial

Stadium, members rehearse the pregame routine for football games for about three hours, then march back from the stadium to McCain, to break for a small lunch period. After several more hours of

playing their instruments, Hughes said.

The time commitment is not the only aspect of marching band that students have to deal with, however. It is sometimes assumed that all band students are music majors which isn't true, Hughes said. In reality, most marching band students have non-music majors.

"Dr. Tracz expects a lot from us," said Anthony Ross, trumpet player and sophomore in computer engineering. "He doesn't make us practice as much as some other schools to allow for non-music majors to be apart of the great experience. With that said, Dr. Tracz is also full of life lessons about class and band, and how to perform your best at both."

During the week of a home game, some of the band members will practice for an hour a night, participate in two-hour band practices twice a week, a one-hour sectional on Wednesday and a one-hour Friday night meeting. In addition, members also have to attend football games roughly

"The level of excitement is ridiculous. When we are playing the 'Wabash Cannonball,' and we see the crowd just going crazy, we just go absolutely nuts. There is definitely a huge sense of fame when we are down there being watched by tens of thousands of people. We all feel like superstars."

Alex Hughes
bass drummer and junior in music education

practice and a brief dinner break, band members wrap up their evenings with one final daily rehearsal.

By the end of the day, the students march from McCain to Memorial Stadium and back a total of six times, all while

Collegian file photo
Members of the K-State Marching Band line up outside of Bill Snyder Family Stadium to perform before a K-State home football game last fall.

The student musicians spend 18 hours a week rehearsing for game days, on average.



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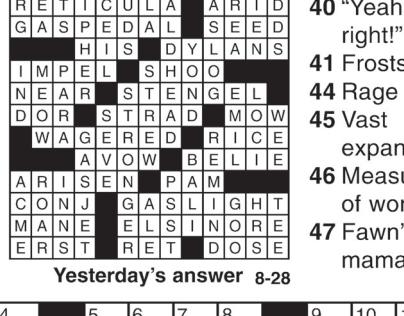
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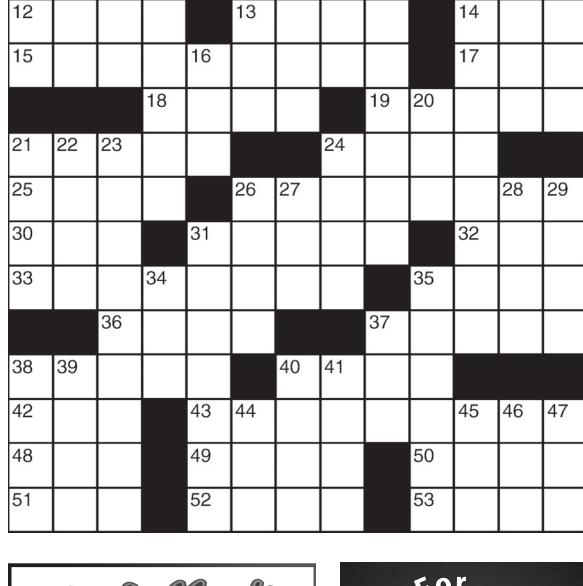
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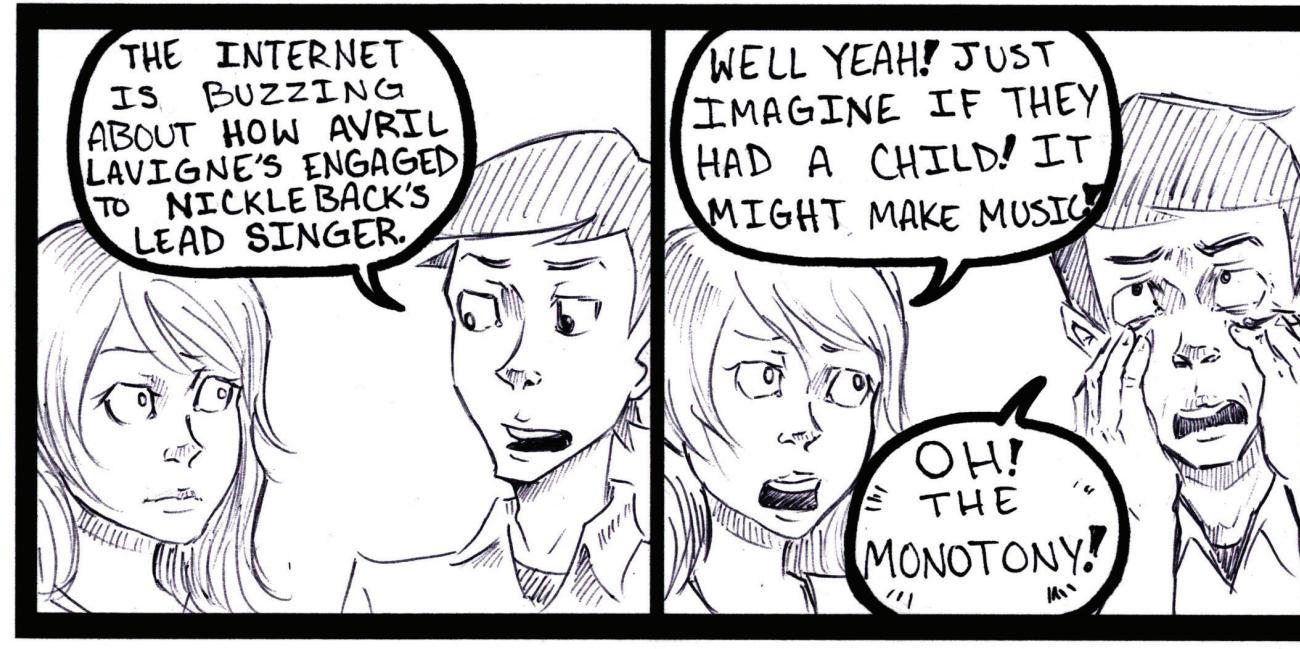
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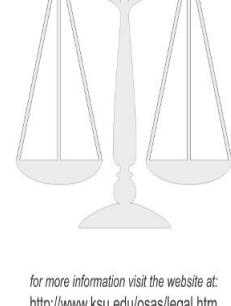
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24 Aug

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Two-minute drill

John Zetmeir
staff writer

MLB

Over the weekend, the Boston Red Sox and the Los Angeles Dodgers completed what is being called a "blockbuster" trade. The deal included Red Sox star first baseman Adrian Gonzalez, pitcher Josh Beckett, outfielder Carl Crawford and third baseman Nick Punto, all traded to the Dodgers. In return, the Red Sox received first baseman James Loney, pitcher Allen Webster, infielder Ivan DeJesus Jr. and minor league prospects. This trade allowed the Red Sox to shed more than \$250 million in contract salaries.

"It gives us an opportunity to build the next great Red Sox team," said Red Sox general manager Ben Cherington.

NFL

Fifty-year-old pitching great Roger Clemens took the mound for the Sugar Land Skeeters on Saturday in Texas. A sellout crowd of 7,724 people packed into Constellation Field to watch Clemens pitch, and he did not let the fans down. Clemens went 3 1/3 innings, throwing 37 pitches, and allowing only one hit.

NFL

On Saturday, fans got their first look at a quarterback duel that is expected to take place for the next eight to ten years, if not longer, between the top two picks of the 2012 NFL Draft, Andrew Luck and Robert Griffin III.

In the Colts' third game of the preseason, Luck led Indianapolis against Griffin and the Washington Redskins. Because it was only the preseason, both quarterbacks only played into the third quarter however, they were still able to put on a show. Luck completed 14 of 23 passes for 151 yards with one touchdown; Griffin completed 11 of 17 for 74 yards, and he also had a touchdown.

Soccer

Monday morning, Tottenham Hotspur agreed to send star midfielder Luka Modric to Real Madrid for a reported \$52.2 million. This was a big move for last year's Spanish champions Real Madrid, who have a draw and a loss in their first two games of the 2012-13 campaign.

Sean Frye

which allowed the Chiefs to win in overtime.

After hosting San Diego, the Chiefs will host the Baltimore Ravens, the team that ousted the Chiefs from the playoffs in the

2010-11 season. Next, the Chiefs visit Tampa Bay to play the Buccaneers, who are led by former K-State quarterback Josh Freeman.

Week seven will be the team's bye week, but in week eight the

Chiefs host their arch rivals, the Oakland Raiders. After the Raiders, the Chiefs travel to San Diego on the first day of November for their second straight divisional game. Those two weeks will be crucial in the season.

The Pittsburgh Steelers welcome the Chiefs to Heinz Field after the Chargers game, and then the Chiefs get three straight home games. After playing Cincinnati, the Chiefs and the crowd at Arrowhead will get its first live look at Peyton Manning and the Denver Broncos.

The reigning rookie of the year comes to Kansas City after Manning, as Cam Newton and the Carolina Panthers finish off the Chiefs' slated games against the NFC South.

The penalty of having three straight home games for the Chiefs is only having one in the final four games of the year. After Carolina, the Chiefs make two straight road trips to Cleveland and Oakland.

After a two-week road trip, the Chiefs host the No. 1 overall draft pick, the Indianapolis Colts, in their home finale in week 16, a team the Chiefs beat last year in Indianapolis. Then, to end the season, the Chiefs make the same trip they did last year in week 17, as they'll face Manning again in Denver in a game that will almost undoubtedly hold major playoff implications.

Key Players

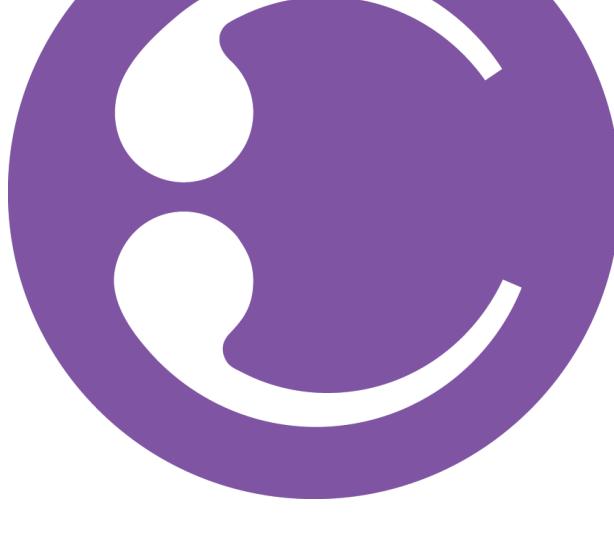
Matt Cassel – Quarterback

Cassel's ride in Kansas City has been up-and-down since his arrival in 2009; 2009 and 2011 were rough years for Cassel, as play on the field was marred by injuries and interceptions. But in 2010, Cassel was critical in getting the Chiefs into the playoffs and earned himself a pro bowl appearance for his efforts. Cassel must return to his pro bowl form of two years ago, to complement the Chiefs' very good running game.

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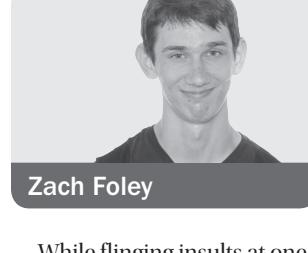
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YEARBOOK

Indoor tanning unwise, increases risk of health issues



Zach Foley

While flinging insults at one of her fellow "Jersey Shore" housemates, Nicole "Snooki" Polizzi said, "You're f---ing pale and you're nasty," implying that a person could not be attractive if he/she had not tanned their skin until they looked like a baseball glove. Snooki is not alone in her fight against paleness; recently, tanning salons across the country have come out fighting against dermatologists who discourage tanning.

These salons say that doctors are causing their patients serious damage by telling them not to tan. One website, tanningtruth.com even goes as far as to say that "saying that sunlight is harmful and therefore should be avoided, is as misleading as saying that water causes drowning, and therefore we should avoid water." What they fail to mention is that tanning beds and booths have seven times as many UV rays as the actual sun.

According to an Aug. 23 PBS article by Ellen Rolfe, there are 5,000 more tanning salons in America than there are McDonald's fast food chains, which means that it is easier to get golden skin than it is to get golden McNuggets. The \$5 billion a year industry is also the backbone of more than 19,000 small businesses.

With so much money on the line for so many people, it makes sense that tanning salons are trying to save face by pointing the finger in the opposite direction. Tanningtruth.com said by not tanning,

people can suffer from Vitamin D deficiency which is linked to heart disease, multiple sclerosis, diabetes and most forms of cancer. Vitamin D deficiency is also the cause of more than 400,000 deaths a year, according to the website. Sunlight, artificial or not, is not the only way to receive Vitamin D. Tanning Truth fails to mention other ways to avoid Vitamin D deficiency.

Now, the loss of those 400,000 lives is nothing to scoff at, but compared to the 2 million cases of skin cancer reported by the American Cancer Society each year it seems pretty minute. The most deadly of all skin cancers is called melanoma which accounts for 75 percent of skin cancer fatalities each year. The American Cancer Society named unprotected or excessive use of tanning beds and booths as the number one cause of skin cancer.

Tanning Truth has not glossed over the facts about melanoma, but they say there is no hard evidence connecting indoor tanning to skin cancer. However, what they don't say is that there are eight times as many cases of melanoma in young women as there were in 1970.

I don't think it is a coincidence that in that time period, indoor tanning also became popular. An April 2 Time magazine article by Alexandra Sifferlin said, that while melanoma is usually more common in men, the number of cases in young males has only quadrupled in the last four decades. This difference could very well be because young females are those most likely to spend their days darkening their skin artificially.

A real punch is thrown at the American Cancer Society when Tanning Truth calls them out for focusing on young women with their melanoma awareness campaigns when those most likely to have the disease are men over 50. What is clearly misunderstood

is that young women are most likely causing themselves to have melanoma by chasing a trendy bronzed complexion, while it is less likely that older men can do anything to stop melanoma from affecting them; older men affected by melanoma are developing it not by choice, but from the natural sun and aging. However, the American Cancer Society is also at fault here. They should not be singling out one group and ignoring an even higher risk group.

The real question isn't what causes skin cancer, it's why would someone want to put themselves at such a high risk. Is it the allure of constantly looking like an Oompa-Loompa? Has Snooki's life impacted people in such a way that they will try as hard as they can to live like her in hopes of one day having a reality show on cable?

Maybe indoor tanners are simply thrill seekers who want to see how long they can stay in a booth before it changes their

lives for the worse. Regardless of the answer, indoor tanning is not safe and the tanning industry can try as hard as they want to point the finger at someone else, but they need to remember there will

always be three orange fingers pointing back at them.

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Illustration by Erin Logan

Upperclassmen should transition out of residence halls



Becky Almquist

Looking at K-State's housing system from an outside perspective, it seems living in the dorms freshman year is almost a requirement. More than 83 percent of all freshmen stay in campus housing consistently from year to year. If the dorms are really that terrible, the trend would have faded out long ago. So why do high school seniors continue to choose dorm life?

Well, let's count the obvious reasons: free food is definitely at the top of the list (or mine at least), short walking distances to class are great and meeting new people is definitely a plus. These are all pretty logical benefits that many freshmen view as important when choosing a living location. But just as we progress in our maturity from freshmen to sophomores, and so on, shouldn't our living situation progress also?

Let me explain, it's no secret that dorm life isn't exactly... independent. Sure you have the freedom to do what you want and go out until the sun comes up, but life in the residence halls is closely monitored and structured.

You are told when you can and cannot eat, you are forced to sign in guests, move out during holidays, walk half a mile to your car, share a bathroom with 20 other people and keep your music down, along with many other regulations.

Regarding freshmen, these rules are fine. They allow students to integrate themselves into college life and make the transition from living at home to on their own. But that's just it; dorm life is a transition - a one year, two semester, time to go out



Illustration by Yosuke Michishita

there on your own, transition. Yet many students continue to live in the residence halls as they progress in their schooling.

I know people who chose to stay all the way until graduation. Sure, they're halfway normal, but I can't help wondering what types of struggles they are

going to run into after receiving their diploma.

Students who choose to stay in dorms year after year are missing out on the college experience. Eating ramen every night of the week, trying to please your landlord and make rent, paying the bills and declaring your own rules, isn't that what growing up is all about? It's learning how to deal with the bad and see the good in it and learning how to (as I like to say) embrace the suck.

As bizarre as this seems, these students really are hurting themselves. By having the residence halls protect and spoon feed them throughout college, they, in reality, gain nothing but four years of self-assurance. Once move-out day finally comes and they realize they can't go run to their resident assistant for every little problem, they're going to be forced to make the hard decisions for themselves.

Life is all about taking the challenging times and making the best out of

them. No one can expect to make it after college without some training in the real world before leaving. Multiple years of dorm life protects students from the real challenges of being an independent adult and leaves them unprepared for life outside of an organized living unit.

For a freshman, the residence halls are the best place to be. They supply a happy medium of structure and freedom for students who are coming from home. However, for upperclassmen, the dorms supply a hurtful combination of protectiveness and structure. What is life if you can't go out there and live it?

Living in the residence halls undoubtedly hinders students from doing whatever they want, whenever they want. It doesn't allow them to truly be independent and live by their own rules with real responsibilities. I hope students who choose to live in the residence halls for multiple years understand the damages they are potentially causing to their adult selves. And to the freshman, stay on path, transition in and transition out.

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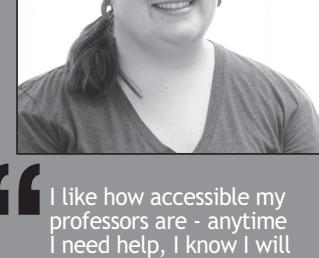
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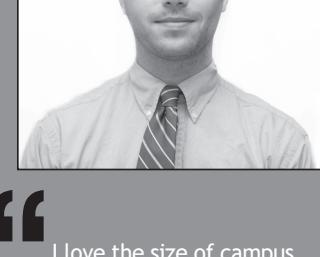
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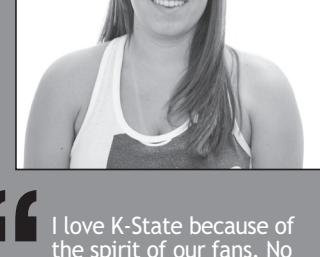
"I'm a nontraditional student, however, coming to K-State has afforded me the opportunity to try new things I may have never otherwise been exposed to -- namely, the Collegian."

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"There are so many ways to become involved, and all of my professors are so passionate about teaching that it inspires me to work harder as a student."

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Sarah Megee
social media and video editor

"I love K-State because of the spirit of our fans. No matter what happens we always support each other."

CHIEFS | New roster

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Jamaal Charles – Running Back

In 2010, Charles was the main reason as to why the Chiefs won the AFC West and made the playoffs. However, he missed all but week one of 2011 with a torn ACL.

Charles has insisted he is back and better than ever since the injury, and while new head coach Romeo Crennel has held him back in the preseason, he has shown bursts of brilliance in his limited carries thus far. Now, similar to his 2010 season, Charles will have an excellent partner in the backfield to help ease his load, as 2011 Madden cover star Peyton Hillis joins the Chiefs' backfield.

Tamba Hali – Linebacker Hali has proven himself to be one of the most dominant linebackers in the NFL in the past two seasons. During this time, Hali has racked up 26.5 sacks, forced eight fumbles and has amassed 117 total tackles. The Chiefs will rely on Hali to continue his superstar production levels.

Brandon Flowers – Cornerback

The Virginia Tech product has been one of the better lockdown corners in the league, but this year will present new challenges.

His old partner in pass coverage, Brandon Carr, left the Chiefs in free agency this off-season for greener pastures in Dallas. The Chiefs replaced him with Stanford Routt from Oakland. But Flowers

will be targeted early and often by opposing quarterbacks, as teams try to test Flowers and see if he is able to be the best man for the job in Kansas City.

Prediction

Wins - Atlanta, Buffalo, San Diego, Tampa Bay, Oakland (both games), Cincinnati, Denver (both games), Cleveland and Indianapolis

Losses - New Orleans, Baltimore, at San Diego, Pittsburgh and Carolina.

The Chiefs will also win the AFC West, beating the Broncos in the last week of the season to secure the division title.

K-State Players

The Chiefs currently have two former K-State Wildcats on the roster. Offensive lineman Ryan Lilja, who is a 9-year veteran, and safety Tysyn Hartman, a rookie who played for the Wildcats last season during their Cotton Bowl run.

Hartman is not a lock to make this year's roster yet, but he has looked impressive in training camp and the preseason thus far, and he survived last weekend's round of cuts that brought the roster down to 75 players.

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Around the world

Jonathon Bycroft
staff writer
Heather Gordon
staff writer

Neil Armstrong dies at 82

Neil Armstrong passed away Saturday from complications after a cardiovascular procedure. Armstrong is known for being the first man to walk on the moon, in July of 1969. He started his career as a NASA research pilot and flew over 200 types of aircrafts during his life.

After his many years as a research pilot, Armstrong was promoted, in 1955, to astronaut status. Armstrong will always be remembered for his famous saying, "That is one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind." A funeral service will be held for Armstrong this coming Friday.

Apple versus Samsung battle continues

Recently, there have been two separate cases between major technology producers Samsung and Apple Inc. Apple claimed that Samsung "ripped off" the design of iPhones and iPads, and Samsung countered this action by suing for infringement on five of its patents.

On Friday, Apple won the lawsuit over Samsung and Samsung now owes Apple \$1.05 billion in damages. Earlier this year, the two companies sued each other in South Korean courts. This court fined both Apple and Samsung

claiming both companies had infringed on each other's patents.

Rogue Afghan soldier kills two U.S. troops

Two deaths of NATO soldiers brings the total number of foreign soldier deaths in Afghanistan to 12 this month, according to Reuters. There have been 33 insider attacks that have led to 42 coalition deaths thus far in 2012.

The Afghanistan government has stated that it will determine the necessary steps to make sure this will not happen again, and will be launching a full investigation of all 350,000 soldiers and police to help mitigate rogue shootings of NATO soldiers and civilians. Government officials believe the Taliban could be linked to these insider attacks, which are straining relations between Afghan and NATO allies.

Earthquake strikes El Salvador

A 7.4 magnitude earthquake hit El Salvador late Sunday, according to the U.S. Geological Survey. According to CNN, the epicenter was about 110 miles southeast of the capital, San Salvador, and took place about 33 miles beneath the surface of the Earth. El Salvador is located on the "Ring of Fire" which is one of the largest fault lines in the Pacific Ocean. This area generally experiences habitual earthquakes and volcanic eruptions due to this fault.

BRIEFS | Jazz, rock, blues band

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Red State Blues Band to perform at O'Malley's Alley

The Red State Blues Band will put on a show for people age 21 and over on the patio of O'Malley's Alley in Aggierville on Friday, Aug. 31. The band, made up entirely of K-State faculty and staff members, will be playing a mixture of rock, jazz, blues and both original and cover songs from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. More information can be found on their website at reverbnation.com/redstatebluesband.

THE BLOTTER

ARREST REPORTS

Sunday, Aug. 26

Dennis Kelly Gilliam, of Ogden, was booked for sale or distribution of stimulants and no Kansas drug tax stamp. Bond was set at \$4,000.

Keith Robert Jenkins, of Fort Riley, was booked for driving with a canceled, suspended or revoked license. Bond was set at \$750.

Christopher Anthony Smith, of Ogden, was booked for domestic battery and witness or victim intimidation. Bond was set at \$1,000.

Monday, Aug. 27

David Daniel Ballou Jr., of Kansas City, Kan., was booked for violation of protection orders. Bond was set at \$500.

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Student helps provide medical assistance in Kenya

Kaitlyn Dewell
staff writer

A miracle is something that most people are lucky to witness just one time in their life. Allegra Gigstad, senior in public health nutrition, however, has found out it's often the simplest things in life that can make a miracle for those in need.

Gigstad had a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity over the summer when she was elected to volunteer on an 11-day medical mission trip to Africa.

"Kansas2Kenya," an organization sponsored by the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas, serves hundreds of Kenyan people each year by sending a team of medical professionals to provide free health care for villages throughout the country.

"In the area we were in, the people had probably never had medical care in their lives," Gigstad said. "One lady walked for almost a whole day just to see a doctor. Kids even skipped school so they could come in."

The program, which focuses on the Millennium Development Goals established by the United Nations Millennium Campaign in 2000, works to benefit human rights and well-being by striving to eradicate hunger and poverty, increase the health of mothers and children and halt the spread of diseases, such as HIV and AIDS.

Gigstad first learned of the organization from Sandy Procter, assistant professor of human nutrition, extended specialist for K-State Research and Extension and four-year volunteer for the Kansas2Kenya program. After hearing of her interest in attending a mission trip to Africa, Procter took Gigstad to a Kansas2Kenya meeting, where she made her initial decision to participate in the program.

As one of four student volunteers in the 30-person team, Gigstad had planned on assisting the Kenyan community

mainly through her education in nutrition counseling. Upon facing the masses of people vigilantly waiting to be seen by the team, she abandoned her original strategy and jumped in the action.

Gigstad, a certified nurse's aide, was able to take medical histories and prepare the patients to receive assistance from the other medical professionals on duty.

"There were so many people," Gigstad said. "They would just line up outside. People had literally brought their blankets and

during her first day helping patients.

"He was in so much pain that I couldn't even count his heart rate because it was going so fast," Gigstad said.

The boy was sent home with medication and told to return two days later for a reassessment. Gigstad said when he showed up for his second appointment his situation had completely changed.

"He was an entirely different kid, smiling and not in pain," Gigstad said. "He was really healed."

Gigstad also said simple visits to the optometrist or dentist, which we consider to be basic provisions, were suddenly viewed in a whole new light.

"Take for example giving somebody glasses," Gigstad said. "A simple thing like that and their life is changed. They can read now. That's something they couldn't do before."

Dr. Stephen Segebrecht, director of the Kansas2Kenya program, reiterated Gigstad's sentiments in regard to the effect of the team's efforts on the people of Kenya.

"Our team members gain a greater appreciation for the way most of the people in the world live," Segebrecht said. "By reaching out to these people who are in need and suffering, we can help alleviate some of their despair. We bring them something called hope."

Despite the perceptively dire condition of the Kenyan people, Gigstad maintains that the culture never focuses on its difficulties.

"They're some of the happiest people I've ever met," Gigstad said. "They're perfectly content with what they have, and they have nothing. They were so thankful that we were there. That's really what got us through."

Gigstad said her experience in Kenya was life-altering, because she was able to see those

were just sitting outside, waiting."

The Kansas2Kenya team tended to more than 200 people a day. Volunteers were often forced to take lunch breaks because they were so focused on helping as many patients as possible.

Over the course of five days, the group treated more than 1,130 people, with ailments ranging from chronic back pain to diseases such as typhoid and cholera.

Gigstad told a story of a young boy, diagnosed with severe typhoid, who she saw

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Photo courtesy of Allegra Gigstad

Allegra Gigstad, senior in public health nutrition, poses for a photo in Kenya, where she traveled this summer to help provide medical care with the group Kansas2Kenya.

who live without the luxuries that we have access to every day. Besides gaining respect for their culture and for the people, I've gained a greater respect for what I have and being thankful for that," Gigstad said. "It was an eye-opening experience in all sorts of ways."

K-State ranked among nation's top colleges

Sid Arguello
staff writer

Last Monday, the Princeton review released their list of "The Best 377 Colleges," including K-State on this list for the second year in a row.

In order to compile this list, the Princeton Review surveyed 122,000 students at colleges and universities across the nation to find out which students are the happiest, which campus has the best food, the best athletes, and even to learn which colleges have students who study the least, along with several other categories; 62 in total.

Approximately 325 students were surveyed on each college campus to collect the data.

"It's ... good news for our cheering faculty and student life, it is great to get recognized," said Pat Bosco, vice president for student life and dean of students.

Bosco's comment on the "cheering" staff and students is an accurate portrayal, as K-State was ranked No. 8 in the happiest students category.

It is not a simple process to conduct the official surveys. The Princeton Review has to first contact the schools they want to survey, and in recent years many schools have been emailing their students to inform them of the opportunity for the survey.

"The methods and ideals KSU teaches show that what we are doing is working," said Kaitlyn Dechant, senior in psychology. "We have high standards that are already set, but K-Staters desire for success and greatness raises the bar every year."

K-State was also ranked No. 12 in the best-run colleges category and No. 4 for best quality of life.

"Being a fourth generation Wildcat, seeing the progression from my family's point of view to my own and how elite our college has become makes me a proud Wildcat," said JB Mason, senior in accounting and finance.

Low in-state tuition, strong academics and abundant resources are features that draw students to the university, according to the review.

"The list cross-references total cost of attendance and value, that is why this recognition is so special," Bosco said. K-State was also ranked No. 2 in the "Town-Gown Relations" category, No. 13 in "Their Students Love These Colleges," No. 14 in the category "Jock Schools" and No. 16 for "Most Religious Students."

"It makes me proud to be ranked by Ivy League standards," Dechant said.

BAND | Game day preparations in full force

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five hours early to get ready and make finishing touches, making the total time commitment during game weeks up to 18 hours.

Dedicating 18 hours a week to the marching band can cut into social life, schoolwork and chores.

When asked how band affected his personal life, however, Ross said that the time spent has been well worth it.

"Band has definitely been a great experience," he said. "I have met so many people that I wouldn't have otherwise met, and has let me travel around more than I would have."

Hughes agreed, saying that despite the busy schedule, hearing the roar of fans in the stadium on gameday makes playing in the marching band a fulfilling experience.

"The level of excitement is ridiculous," Hughes said. "When we are playing the 'Wabash Cannonball,' and we see the crowd just going crazy, we just go absolutely nuts. There is definitely a huge sense of fame when we are down there being watched by tens of thousands of people. We all feel like superstars."



ABOVE: Tenor saxophone player Alec Ramos, junior in computer science, stays hydrated with other band members during marching band practice in Memorial Stadium on Aug. 17.

BELOW: Assistant drum major Kristen Eck, senior in elementary education, conducts the band during practice on Aug. 17 in Memorial Stadium.

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